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SUBJECT: RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED ON ARMY ATTACHE BY BRAZILIAN
ARMY

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1. ARA/ECA DIRECTOR ZIMMERMANN EXPRESSED OUR CURIOSITY
ABOUT NON-DISCRIMINATORY RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED ON ARMY
ATTACHE BY BRAZILIAN ARMY IN COURSE OF GENERAL CONVERSATION
WITH MINISTER COSTA FRANCO ON OCCASION OF JULY 21 COURTESY
CALL AT BRAZILIAN EMBASSY WITH DCM GEORGE HIGH.

2. COSTA FRANCO SAID HE KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT THE PRESENT
RESTRICTIONS BUT REMARKED THAT IN THE PAST THE BRAZILIAN
MILITARY HAD OPERATED UNDER AN OPEN SYSTEM OF CONTACTS,
"ALMOST AS OPEN AS IN THE U.S.". HE ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT
THE BRAZILIAN MILITARY HAD, ON OCCASION, "TALKED TOO MUCH",
INDICATING THAT IN THE PAST THERE HAD BEEN UNAUTHORIZED
REVELATIONS OF INFORMATION AND/OR ATTITUDES. VANCE

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